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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, the reference or references listed and identified on the attached PTO-1449 based form are being submitted here for consideration by the Examiner. Any copy of the items listed on the enclosed copy of Form PTO-1449 that is not enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement was previously cited by or submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the prior Parent Application, U.S. Serial No. 09/553,308, filed April 20, 2000, under 37 C.F.R. §1.98.

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